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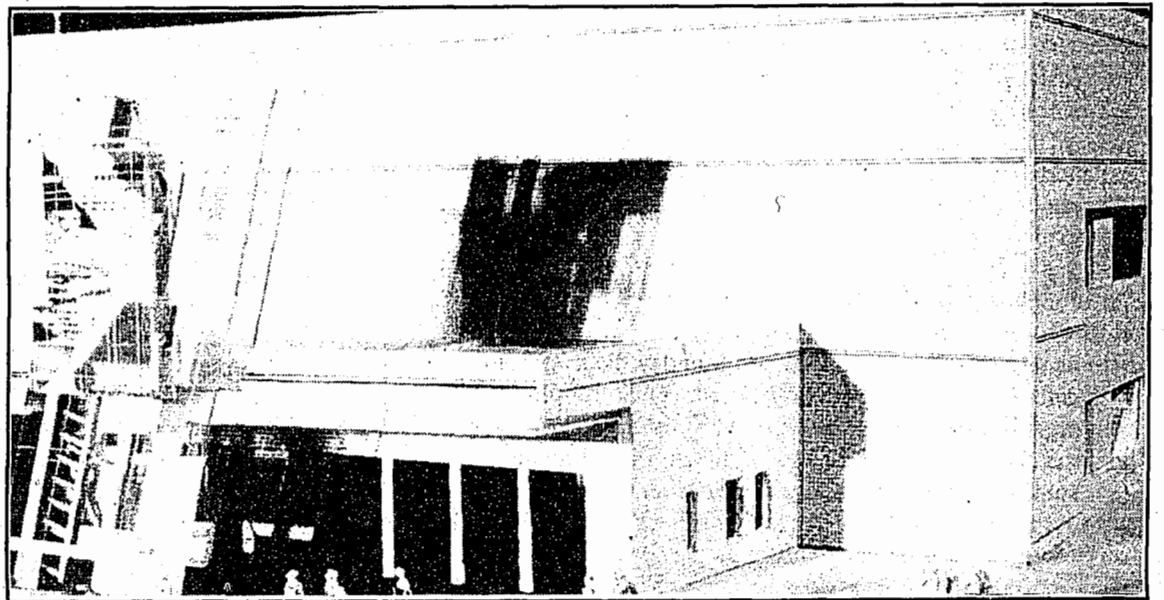
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2001: A Frosh Odyssey



The freshmen aren't the only things new on campus. This is the newly renovated Hinkle Hall, where many professors are waiting for you to come visit them. This version features remodeled offices and a cool sun roof lobby as you enter the building. Gone are the dingy, old third floor cubicles that didn't exactly stay cool in the summertime.



This is one of the designs for the Convocation Center, which will be built during your four years here at Xavier. The building will feature a sports arena that will be the new home for the men's and women's basketball teams, as well as volleyball. The Center will also have a conference center for businesses and a dining facility for students. It is hoped the project will be completed by the class of 2000's graduation.

Incoming freshmen feature outstanding academics

By VIRGINIA SUTCLIFFE
MANAGING EDITOR

This school year, 767 new faces will fill the academic and residential malls as the class of 2001 embarks on their college journey.

The freshmen class is comprised of students from 35 states and seven countries around the world, with the greatest number of students from Ohio.

Among them are 24 students who were ranked number one in their high school class and 124 of them were in the top ten of their class.

Adrian Schiess, Director of Freshman Programs, said that the class of 2001 is following the mold of past freshmen classes as far as academics is concerned.

"For five consecutive years, we have had an academic upturn among the incoming freshmen classes," said Schiess.

The average high school GPA of this year's class is 3.38. In terms of college testing, this class averages a ACT score of 25 and an SAT composite score of 1126.

"For five consecutive years, we have had an academic upturn among the incoming freshmen," said Adrian Schiess.

The class of 2001 has chosen to pursue many different areas of study. So far, there are 64 natural science majors, 82 business majors, 34 elementary education majors, and 34 psychology majors.

Due to planning efforts between the Office of Residence Life and the Office of Admissions, all of the 613 first year students who wanted housing have been accommodated.

Because of last year's housing crunch due to the largest freshmen class being admitted to Xavier, both offices worked hand in hand this year to ensure that the number of applicants would match the number of available housing spaces. "This year the plan worked because of better management of the num-

ber of applicants between us and admissions," said AvaJean Fiebig, Director of Residence Life.

However, even with careful planning, several adjustments had to be made because of the gender imbalance in this class.

Several study lounges in the Residence Halls have been sacrificed to temporarily house five first year men. The study lounges are fully converted, however, they are slightly smaller than the average residence hall room and lack a double wardrobe.

Fiebig said that she hopes to move all of the students into regular rooms as no shows occur. "By January all of the study lounges will be empty and the students will be moved into regular rooms," said Fiebig.

Although this was a problem, Fiebig said that overall the housing placement of the class of 2001 went smoothly. "Between Admissions and Residence Life we have been able to house everyone," said Fiebig.

Painting by numbers: The class of 2001

- 767** Total number of freshmen.
- 58** Percent women in class of '01. (Good luck, guys.)
- 24** High school valedictorians.
- 35** Different states represented.
- 59** Percent of freshmen from Ohio.
- 11** Percent of freshmen from Indiana and Kentucky, respectively.
- 3.38** High school GPA of the class of '01.

Things To Know

Textbook store hours

The textbook store is located in the basement of the University Center and is open during the following hours:

Monday-Thursday (until next week) 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m.

Friday & Saturday (until next week) 8 a.m.-7 p.m.

Special Hours this Sunday, Aug. 24 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Normal Hours Begin Monday, Aug. 25

Monday-Thursday 8 a.m.-7 p.m.

Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Saturday 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Employment fair

The student employment fair will be held this Saturday from 9 a.m.-noon, in the O'Connor Sports Center.

Representatives from numerous campus departments, such as the library, information desk and audio visual services will be interviewing for jobs to be filled this semester.

For other employment opportunities, see the Career Services Center on the ground floor of the University Center.

Club Day on the mall

Club Day will be held on Monday, Sept. 8 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. on the residential mall. Over 100 clubs and organizations will be on hand at this event to sign-up new members and describe what their club is all about. All students, especially freshmen, are encouraged to attend this event. There will also be plenty of free stuff to go around. Mark this date on your student planner.

Campus dining hours

The Musketeer Inn and the Main Dining Room now have new hours.

Muskie Inn hours:

Monday-Friday 7:30 a.m.-11:00 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday 11 a.m.-10:30 p.m.

Main Dining Room hours:

Monday-Friday

Breakfast 7:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m.

Lunch 11 a.m.-3:45 p.m.

Dinner 4:30 p.m.-7 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday

Brunch 11 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Dinner 4:30 p.m.-7 p.m.

— compiled by Tom DeCorte and Virginia Sutcliffe



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Who is who ?

Here are some names and faces you will most likely hear and see on campus.

BY VIRGINIA SUTCLIFFE
MANAGING EDITOR

These are some of the famous names and faces of Xavier University. During your time here, you may meet or see some of these people and you may not. They are just a few of the people who help make this campus go around.



Chris Dake, Dave Coyle, and Damon Halverson, your Student Government execs.

The Executive Cabinet of Student Government Association — Always ready to serve their fellow students, President **Dave Coyle**, Legislative Vice President, **Christopher P. Dake** and Administrative Vice President, **Damon Halverson**, are three of the most powerful students on campus. Tell them what you need and they will be glad to either help you themselves or tell you who can help.

You can see them in political action at the Student Government Association's weekly meeting every Monday at 3 p.m. in the Terrace Room of the University Center.

Fr. James Hoff — To say it simply, Fr. Hoff is the President of the university. You may not see him on a daily basis, but you may get lucky.

However, if you look hard enough, you will see him in the stands of every men's home basketball game. Just be careful, because you may never know who is walking in front of you while you are talking with your friends. It may be the big man himself.

Terry Nieman from the post office — When you make your daily visit to your post office box, you may run into Xavier's own friendly campus mailman. Terry

Nieman is in charge of the Xavier post office and has worked there for 19 years. He's the one that makes sure mom and dad's care packages get to you.

Skip Prosser — You can find Skip leading the Muskies men's basketball team to victory at the Cincinnati Gardens between November and March.

Last season the Musketeers returned to the NCAA tournament after a one year hiatus with a 23-6 record and a Atlantic 10 West Division Championship. Right now he and the rest of the hoops team are travelling around the British Isles



Skip Prosser

on a week tour of games.

Adrian Schiess — Director of Freshman Programs, Adrian Schiess is every freshman's personal savior.

If you have a problem with financial aid, scheduling, or anything else, he is the man to talk to. Just go to his office in Alter Hall and he'll be glad to help. You don't even need an appointment. His job is to make sure that you have such a great experience at Xavier that you will want to come back next year.

Advisors — This person, whoever he or she may be, will be one of the people to guide you through your academic progress while you are at Xavier.

Your advisor is the one to talk to when you need to drop or add a class and when you need to make your schedule for next semester.

This issue is just a small sample of what the *Xavier Newswire* is about. Make sure to check out our first full length issue Wednesday, Sept. 3. This issue was produced by Tom DeCorte, Virginia Sutcliffe, Pete Holtermann, Kara Benken and Steve Smith. Interested in joining the staff? Call us at 745-3607. Letters to the editor can be submitted to our offices in the Cohen Center or by e-mailing us at xunews@xavier.xu.edu. Letters must be received by the Monday before publication. They must be signed and the *Newswire* reserves the right to edit all submissions.

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Movie plots college journey

By TOM DeCORTÉ
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

It's amazing how little understanding costs in life sometimes. For me, a big chunk of this understanding was mine for the taking at \$3.75.

I don't think I've ever seen a movie by myself at the theater before, and I don't really know why I decided I would start doing it on a beautiful, cool summer day in late June. It seemed like the thing to do at the time.

I remember getting to the theater just as the previews began to roll and finding myself scurrying to get any seat that was available.

As I settled into it, I got ready for a movie that I thought would give me a good laugh. Instead, it gave me this column.

The picture itself was irrelevant; but for those of you who must know, I thought it was terribly overrated. But in this exposure to mediocre cinema, I found a little bit about myself and how I've lived through my college experience.

The main character was a bit like myself at the time, confident, with fairly conservative views, ready to take on the world. He was in love (this is where the similarities end) and felt that the world was finally his for the taking.

But as the character's success grew, he became a wreck. He began to mistrust and question all the people who loved him and then tried to remedy his self-conceived problems by trying to tie his whole life together in one, big, happy package.

I guess there have been times when I've been guilty of just that. I

"College doesn't take away your dilemmas and crises, it gives you different ones to solve."

don't know why I just can't leave well enough alone sometimes, why I think something that's good can't be something better.

I think that when I embarked on my college experience, I thought I could leave all the problems I had in my life at the time and never have to worry about them again. I guess my advice to those of you who are incoming freshmen is to not take that philosophy.

College doesn't take away your dilemmas and crises, it gives you different ones to solve.

Some of the most difficult choices you will ever make in your life will take place in the next few years. What makes them difficult is the fact you will have to make them yourself.

Sure, you can seek out advice and take it into account. But for the first time, your decisions during these years can be life changing and dramatic. Be respectful of your newfound decision-making power, but cherish it as well.

What that movie did for me was remind me how blessed and lucky I have been and how I've seized the opportunities my college life has given to me.

This is not to say I have gone three years without failure. For every academic, relationship or vocational success, there's at least one event or action I've regretted in the same respect.

I challenge all of you incoming students to let go of your adolescent prejudices and stumbling blocks and be your own person. Let your own self make your decisions, not your friends, parents or significant others.

What I believe you will find is that your college experience will be very cyclical in its nature. By this, I mean that the college experience has very distinct and clear stages to it. I've not only noticed this to be true myself, but in many others as well.

First, there is the discovery stage that all freshmen go through. This is basically experimental, being a freshmen you will do things and go places you have never been. Some of these will be fond memories, others regretful. You'll meet dozens of new people and hang out with basically anyone.

After that, comes the next stage, which usually comes during the sophomore year. You're done experimenting, now you need to know where you fit into your major and in relationships. This kind of thinking causes much anxiety and stress. Slowly, the number of people you hang out with will decline. Instead of collaborating in the study lounge with 25 people, you'll be in your dorm room with five or six.

Next up is the stage where your independence will increase tenfold. For some, this hap-

pens when they move out of the dorms and into an off-campus house or apartment. For others, it's a move away from their parents. Dealing with the constant stream of bills, rent and household maintenance is a big step when you've gotten used to having your bathroom cleaned for you for two years.

You will again find your circle of close friends grow smaller, but at the same time grow stronger. These friends will be the closest you've ever had. During this period, you will feel more confident than ever before, as you begin to assert yourself in your chosen field.

The fourth stage (the one I'm supposedly entering) deals with the reality of graduation and not having the university to shelter you from having to hunt down a full time job and begin a career. Not only that, but many of the friends you've had during college will be moving away to their new jobs, which leaves you where you began college, nervous, by yourself, and looking to meet new people.

I'm looking forward to meeting many of you and I wish all of you well during your freshman year. Though it took me long enough to figure these things out, these next three sayings can take you a long way.

Love your friends for who they are in private, not how they act at a party.

Love your vocational calling, not the money or prestige it may bring.

Love yourself, and anything is possible.

Good luck, class of 2001.

Involvement gives the best education

By JEFF DAVIS
OP-ED EDITOR

During the next 15 weeks, one thing will become perfectly clear to you—the reader of the *Xavier Newswire*: I don't like writing articles pertaining to serious matters.

I wrote one before and the result was a barrage of calls on my answering machine telling me how good my column was and how much people could relate to it. To be honest with you, this gave me a warm and fuzzy feeling inside.

Quite frankly, I'm not really comfortable feeling like that.

However, when it came time to put this year's first issue together, our new Editor-In-Chief, Tom DeCorté, told me to write an article of a more serious nature, to help out you guys, the incoming students, and to not inflame the tempers of any of the parents that are on campus this weekend.

The latter was in response to last year's first issue, when many parents became a bit ticked off over some of the content.

Looking back on the ordeal, the swimsuit and beer issue idea

probably wasn't a great one in the first place. Chalk another one up to life's growing pains.

I could tell Tom to go to hell, but he's a pretty good guy and he took me to a Braves game this past year, so I will honor his request. Here it goes.

Manresa seems like ages ago to me. I've been here for four years already and will have spent another half a year here at Xavier before it's all said and done. It goes by quick, even when it goes into overtime.

Have fun during these next couple of days, because next Wednesday, it's down to business. From August 27 to May 5, all you will do is study, go to class, and study more. After all, that's what you're here for right?

Wrong.

Your college experience, of course, will focus on grades. But that's not all. To get the most out of your years at Xavier, you need to become involved. There is no better way to make new friends, become active in school related functions, or just have fun than becoming involved with different groups on campus.

There are over 100 different clubs and organizations here at

Xavier, ranging from student government to rowing. All of the clubs are always looking for new faces. In a couple of weeks, all of these clubs will converge on the residential mall during Club Day to recruit new members. Pick two or three groups that you would like to be actively involved in and sign up.

The key to growing from these organizations is not just to sign up and come to an occasional meeting and say you're in the club, but to be active in everything that club does. This is how you become involved, not by sitting around and playing Sega for six hours a day while the club is busy at work.

Not only does becoming involved help you meet people and add to your college experience, but it looks very impressive on your resume.

Anytime a company sees that you are a person that goes above and beyond what you're required to do, you gain an advantage on all the other applicants. Sure it's easy to just go to class and do the work given, but the real challenge and the most rewarding part of college, or anything in life, is being involved being part of a group or

organization's successes.

Looking back at the years I have spent at Xavier, one thing is for certain. If I hadn't become involved in the organizations that I did, I would have been ready to leave this place three and a half years ago.

Now it's going to be hard to leave, and that's due to the great people I have met and will continue to keep in touch with, long after the books are closed on my time at Xavier.

Twenty years from now, there's probably not much I will remember from the classrooms at Xavier. However, I will never forget the fun the *Newswire* staff had at our conference in New Orleans a couple of years ago or riding the Peter Pan ride at Walt Disney World with our business manager, Andy Wade, last year in Orlando.

Live it up, get involved and have a great time at Xavier. Because before long, you'll be staring down the loaded gun called reality. When that time comes, you'll be glad you went to Xavier and got involved in the many things that go on here.

I wish you all good luck.

Where to be and what to

a quick guide to the sights and sounds of the Gre

BY STEVE SMITH, DIVERSIONS EDITOR

The \$ best...

Concert Venues

1. Bogart's

-Want to see your favorite band up close? Tickets are cheap and the music is top notch. *Corryville. 281-8400.*

2. Sudsy Malone's

-Doing your laundry here is quite the live experience. Live music, a bar, and washers and dryers. What else do you need? *Corryville. 751-2300.*

3. Taft Theatre

-They don't bring in concerts all that often, but when they do, it's usually a must see. Great atmosphere and impeccable sound. *Downtown. 721-8883.*

4. Riverbend Music Center

-Only the biggest and the best here. Cincy's premier outdoor venue has only a few shows left this fall, so head out there quick. *Anderson Township. 232-6220.*

5. TopCat's

-Rounding out the best neighborhood for music, TopCat's brings you up and coming national acts in the friendly confines of a bar. *Corryville. 281-2005.*

Movie Theatres

1. Esquire Theatre

-A classic theatre showing future classic films. With three screens, all movies \$3.50 on Tuesdays, and \$3.75 matinees and \$6.00 features, it is assuredly a great deal. *Clifton. 281-8750.*

2. Mariemont Theatre

-Everything the Esquire has, plus absolutely beautiful surroundings. Taking a date to the movies? This is the place. *Mariemont. 272-2002.*

3. Showcase Cinemas

-If you're looking to see the current blockbuster, Showcase Cinemas is where you want to be. It's close to campus, but make sure to check your bank account before you go. *Bond Hill. 351-2232.*

4. Mt. Lookout Cinema Grill

-Film, food and friends should be the slogan for this new theatre. You can grab a bite to eat and a drink while viewing a recent hit. Tickets are inexpensive and the atmosphere is fun. Sorry, no one under 18 admitted. *Mt. Lookout. 321-3211.*

5. Your room

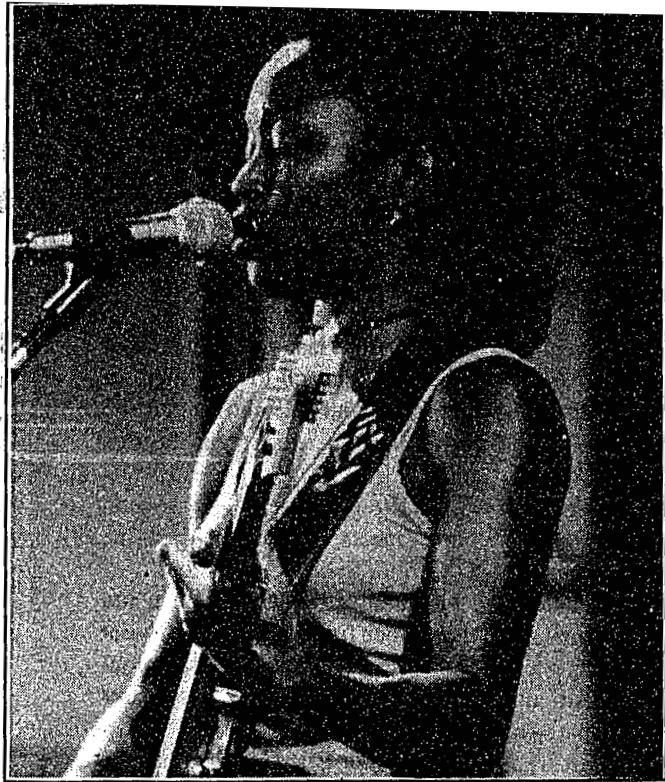
-Low on cash? Lacking a ride? Stay put and watch a flick in your room. You get to control the volume and rewind or fast forward whenever you want. It doesn't get any easier.



what to see in Cincinnati

sights and sounds of the Greater Cincinnati area

BY STEVE SMITH, DIVERSIONS EDITOR



Places to stuff your face.

1. The Montgomery Inn-Boathouse

-Ribs, chicken, ribs, seafood, ribs, beer, ribs, great location, ribs, worth the money, ribs, free valet parking, ribs. Just a few reasons why it's the best place to eat in Cincinnati when you want a great meal and are living on a college budget. *East End. 721-7427.*

2. Zip's Cafe

-Incredible burgers, great atmosphere, did we mention the burgers? Zip's is a must, trust us. *Mt. Lookout. 871-9876.*

3. Dana's

-Not only a Xavier tradition as a drinking establishment, but not a fine place to grab a bite to eat. The cooks are friendly and the kitchen's clean, we hope. Bet you see someone you know there. *Evanston. 631-2337.*

4. Skyline Chili

-As Dana's is to XU, Skyline is to Cincy, minus the beer. *Located throughout the city.*

5. Sugar 'N Spice

-Quick and greasy, the way a real breakfast should be. Don't miss out on one of the best breakfasts you'll ever experience. *Bond Hill. 242-3521.*

Points of Interest

During your tenure at Xavier make sure not to miss out on these great places... **Graeter's** The ultimate place for desert. One visit and you'll be addicted. *Hyde Park. 321-6221...* **Eden Park** Possibly the perfect place in Cincinnati to spend an afternoon. Complete with a view of the city and Krohn Conservatory, Eden Park is the closest thing to heaven you'll find in Cincinnati. *Eden Park. 321-6208 (Cincinnati Park Foundation)...* **Cincinnati Museum Center** The picturesque Union Terminal houses the Museum of Natural History, the Museum of Science and the OMNIMAX Theatre all in one. A great way to spend a day. *287-7000...* **Cincinnati Reds/Cincinnati Bengals** You can't be in Cincinnati and not see a Reds or Bengals game. Cincy's professional sports have had their struggles in the past, that doesn't mean you can't go watch them play your favorite team. Plus the Bengals should be good this year, imagine that. *Ticketmaster 749-4949.*

(clockwise from top) Ken Block of Sister Hazel (shown here at the P&G Pavillion) is just one of many incredible bands to grace Cincinnati throughout the year; Sherri Jackson hypnotizes the crowd at Riverbend with her soothing voice; The Esquire Theatre provides the masses with a great place to see a critically-acclaimed film; famed rapper Snoop Doggy Dogg wins over a packed Riverbend audience as part of this year Lollapalooza.

Check out the
Diversions section
throughout the year
for the latest in
music, movies, art,
and more.

SPORTS *briefs*

Sports for you!

Xavier's Recreational Sports Department has a number of ways for you to get out and meet new people, and to help you keep off the "Freshman 15".

The O'Connor Sports Center is Xavier's on-campus workout facility. It features a pool, weight room and racquetball and basketball courts. The Sports Center is open 7 a.m.-11 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 7 a.m.-8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Sundays. Call 745-3208 for more information.

The Rec Sports Department also offers a variety of aerobic classes this fall. Among the fall offerings will be step classes, boxing/step mix classes, low classes and hi/low classes. The classes cost \$30, and enrollments are accepted in the Sports Center. Call 745-3209 for more information.

The Intramural Sports Department also has a full slate planned for the fall. Things will kick off with the "Welcome Back 3-on-3 Volleyball Challenge". The event will take place on the corner of Dana Avenue and Victory Parkway beginning at 3 p.m. on the afternoon of Friday, Sept. 5. Sign-ups begin on Wednesday, Aug. 27, and will be accepted through the start of the tournament.

Also offered this fall will be men's and coed softball, coed indoor/outdoor soccer, coed all-terrain volleyball, a power level of triples volleyball and men's and women's flag football. Sign-ups for all of these sports begin on Aug. 27, and will continue until Sept. 10. It costs \$20 per team to participate in intramural sports. Call 745-2856 for more information.

For those who are looking for something a little more competitive than intramurals, Xavier offers a range of club sports. This year, the clubs sports being offered are boxing, crew, fencing, ice hockey, men's and women's lacrosse, martial arts, sailing, soccer and men's and women's volleyball. Call 745-2856 for information on how to join a club sport team.

-Pete Holtermann

Special events info

Midnight Madness - This is the official tip-off of the basketball season. The teams can hit the floor for first time at the stroke of midnight on October 18. On Friday night, the 17th, there will be a full night of festivities leading up to the teams taking the Schmidt Fieldhouse floor for practice.

Things will start off at 7 p.m. with the men's soccer team playing Rhode Island. The volleyball team will take on Fordham in the Fieldhouse, 9 p.m.

A large show will precede the teams taking the floor. Last season, a highlight video and laser lights show set the stage for the first practice.

1997 Brine Atlantic 10 Womens Soccer Championship - The top four teams from regular season conference play will come to Cincinnati for the A-10 tournament when Xavier hosts it in early November. The semifinal games will be held on Friday, Nov. 7, and the championship match will be on Sunday, Nov. 9.



Help Wanted

If you are interested in writing in the Sports section, call Pete at 745-2878. Thank you!



On Tap



Sunday, August 24 • Women's Soccer vs. Midway College at 3 p.m.*

All home games are in bold
*Indicates a scrimmage match
Home soccer matches are played at Corcoran Field

Game of the Week

Reds vs. Atlanta Braves

7:40 p.m. Friday at Turner Field
On WSTR-Channel 64

Greg Maddux is scheduled to pitch this game for the N.L. East leading Braves. The Cy Young award winner could easily have a masterful performance when pitching against a team as hapless as the Reds. Prediction: He'll throw less than 100 pitches, and at least 80 percent will be strikes.

A taste of Muskie mania

By PETE HOLTERMANN

SPORTS EDITOR

Mention Xavier Athletics, and most people immediately think of Xavier Basketball. Granted, the Muskie hoopsters are looking forward to a great year, but there are several other teams on campus, and some of them are just as likely to be successful as the basketball team.

Xavier offers 15 intercollegiate athletic teams, and here's a brief glimpse at all of them:

Baseball — Last season, Xavier ended with a record of 32-36, and made it to the Atlantic 10 tournament on the strength of a 14-6 conference record and the A-10 West Division title. The team graduated only three players, and the core of the team, including junior pitcher Louie Witte, will be back for this coming year's campaign.

The Muskies will start off the home schedule by mid-March. The games are played in cozy Hayden Field, where home runs have a good chance of either hitting the Sports Center or Victory Parkway.

There are plans to improve the seating behind home plate during this off season, making Hayden an even nicer place to watch a ball game.

Men's Basketball — The Musketeers tore through last season, and surpassed all expectations with a 23-6 overall record, and a trip into the second round of the NCAA tournament. Xavier also picked up the top spot in the A-10 West with a conference record of 13-3.

This year, things should be even better considering the team is returning its top six players. Most of the guys worked hard in the off season, and it showed when the team practiced earlier this month before embarking on a trip to Europe. The team ended last year ranked 13th in the country, and most early pre-season polls have them in the Top 10.

This year may be one of the most exciting years yet for Xavier basketball. The games are held at the Cincinnati Gardens, a short five miles from campus. Look for more information in the future on how to ride a bus to the games.

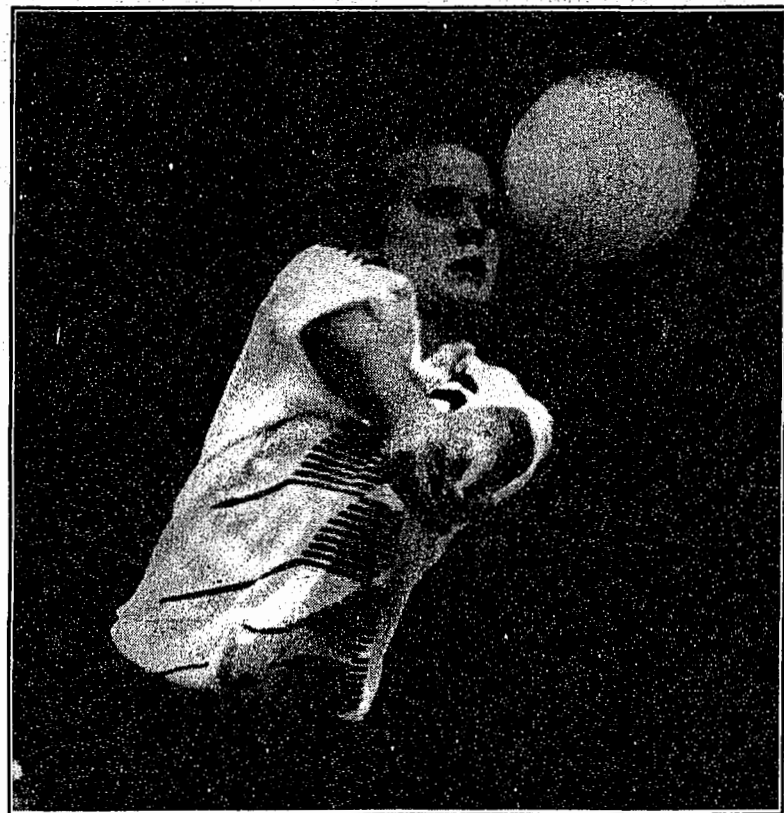
Women's Basketball — To say this team will be rebuilding this year would be a drastic understatement. The team will have a whole new look as the Muskies welcome seven newcomers this season.

Last year's squad finished 10-17 (5-11 A-10), but it is almost a moot point because this will be a completely different team. Head coach Melanie Balcomb is entering her third year at Xavier, and now has a team that is ready for her fast-paced game. The women play home games in Schmidt Fieldhouse.

Cross Country — Both the men's and women's cross country teams ended last season in 10th place in the A-10.

The guys have some work to do, having lost five harriers to graduation. The ladies have a young core of returnees to work with this season.

Also look out for this team in the classroom. Hands down, they



Sophomore volleyball player Beth Osterday

are the smartest team on campus. In fact, last year's valedictorian was a member of the cross country team.

Golf — Both of Xavier's golf teams will look to improve upon solid performances last year. The men will look to stay in the hunt again as a follow-up to their 2nd place finish last year. The women, who do not compete in the A-10, will look to have another good season, and hope to pick up some wins along the way.

The men return a very good group of golfers. Junior Steve Dixon looks to improve on his six "Top 10" finishes from last year.

For the ladies, a newcomer may hold the key to success. Freshman Melissa Beck had an outstanding summer, winning the Cincinnati Amateur Championships.

Rifle — Believe it or not, this is one of the best sports programs at Xavier. This five person team has won Xavier's only NCAA Title in history, picking up the National Air Rifle Championship in 1996.

Juniors Ted Rozman and Karyn Juziuk were part of that winning team, and they both want to get Xavier back to the NCAA tournament for the seventh time this decade.

Men's Soccer — The Dutch will be responsible for the success of the team this season. With Jack Hermans, a native of the Netherlands, at the helm, the Musketeers will be an improved team over last year's 7-11 (2-8 A-10) squad.

The top returnee for the Muskies is also from the Netherlands, 6-6 sophomore midfielder Maringo Vlijter. Two rookies on this year's team also hail from the Netherlands, and both will have the opportunity to come in and immediately be impact players.

The soccer team holds its home matches on Corcoran Field next to the Sports Center.

Women's Soccer — This team has an excellent chance to go far this season. This is the first year the winner of the A-10 tournament will receive an automatic bid for the NCAA tournament. Xavier has a good shot at winning, and they'll have an extra advantage because

they host the A-10 tournament in November.

The Muskies' line-up is strong from front-to-back, and also very deep. Up front, senior Amanda Gruber will lead the way. This should be a record breaking year for the senior co-captain who is closing in on several Xavier career scoring records.

With a good mix of talent, experience and depth, the Muskies hope to win the A-10 title on their own field in November.

Swimming — Both the men's and women's swim teams hope to improve on their ninth place A-10 finishes from last year. They will have a new coach to lead them in George Rathman, who joined the Athletic Department earlier this month.

The swimmers have several home meets that are held in the O'Connor Sports Center Pool.

Tennis — Both the men and the women finished in the top five at last year's Atlantic 10 Championships, but graduation hit these teams hard.

Senior Eric Gaughan has the best returning winning percentage among the men. Last year's rookies for the women were some of the best members on the team. Junior Denise Chokan and sophomores Kristin Wolf and Julie Roth all return with winning averages from last year.

Volleyball — Xavier coach Floyd Deaton is known for getting his clubs ready, and this year's team had better be ready.

In the first two weekends of the season, XU will take on national powers Michigan State, USC, Duke and Louisiana State University. Some two weeks after that grueling start, the team will begin difficult Atlantic 10 play.

The spikers just missed the Atlantic 10 tournament last year. Seniors Jamie Martin and Amy Maitner want to lead this young and talented club back to the postseason.

The volleyball team plays its home matches in Schmidt Fieldhouse.

Tickets — All students are admitted free to Xavier sporting events.

photo courtesy Xavier Sports Information

SGA ELECTIONS



October 1, 1997

There are currently 4 seats on the Student Senate that are reserved for incoming Freshman and transfer students in their first semester at Xavier. Elections will be held Wednesday, October 1.

Those interested in running must attend only one of the following informational meetings:

Mon., Sept. 15	10 - 10:30 AM 4 - 4:30 PM
Tues., Sept 16	7 - 7:30 PM
Wed., Sept. 17	12 - 12:30 PM
Thurs., Sept. 18	9 - 9:30 AM

All meetings will be in the OKI room in the University Center.

Questions? Call 745-3560

The Student Senate consists of 20 students, elected in the Fall and Spring, which represents student concerns to the administration and greater community. They are also responsible for allocating budgets and granting charters to all student groups. The Student Senate meets weekly at 3 PM on Monday afternoons in the Terrace Room, University Center. All meetings are open to the public.

Applications are now being accepted for the Student Government Association Board of Elections, the group of students that oversees all SGA elections for the 1997-98 school year.

There is one representative each from the Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, and Senior classes on the Board of Elections.

Applications are available outside room 101F in the University Center.

Questions? Call Dave Coyle at 745-3191

SGA Board of Elections

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Hypnotist TOM DELUCA

Wed. Aug. 27 7:30 PM Theatre

SCHOOL DAZE

Fri. Aug. 29 12-4 PM Residential Mall

WIN A TRIP TO THE BAHAMAS! at the SPIN OF FORTUNE

Fri. Aug. 29 6-8 PM Residential Mall

Rain Location - Theatre

FREE BUS TRIP TO THE WEBN FIREWORKS!

Sun. Aug. 31

Busses begin departing at 4PM at the bottom of the Residential Mall.

Do you have any questions or comments about our events? Do you want to get involved with SAC? Selections for freshmen and transfers will be here before you know it! Call Us at x3534 or stop by our table at Club Day!